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**Re: 729 Survey Approval**

Dear Joe:

On May 13, 1999 we received your letter of May 12, 1999 transmitting the Closeout Radiological Survey Report for Building 729 and the Non-Radiological Closeout Survey Report. We have since reviewed the reports, provided comment to your staff and have met with your staff to resolve these comments. The State accepts these reports and the conclusion that the 729 structure meets the release criteria agreed to in the Decommissioning Operation Plan (DOP). Approval to begin the demolition of 729 in accordance with the previously approved plan is granted.

The new automated survey system used on the 729 project led the regulatory agencies to look closely at various aspects of quality assurance related to the survey report. We have concluded that the report and enclosed data are adequate to meet the regulatory requirements and the criteria of the Multi-Agency Radiation Site Survey and Investigation Manual (MARSSIM) as specified in the DOP and approved 779 Survey Plan. Nevertheless, areas for improvement have been identified and we hope to work with RFETS to implement changes in the application of the automated survey methods prior to their usage in the final survey process for Building 779.

Your letter requested a 7 day turn-around time on the state's review of the radiological report. Be advised that project staff, from the agencies, had previously agreed to a 14 day review cycle. Previous collaborative work by the agencies with the site have allowed us to meet your requested 7 day review and approval period in this case, to some extent recouping part of the month and a half delay in transmitting the radiological report to the state.

The complexity of future radiological reports will likely necessitate longer reviews for the more complex projects. We request that you account for appropriate regulator review time when planning future projects.

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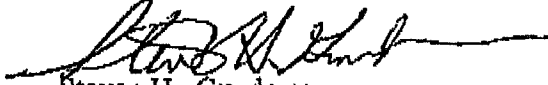
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Sincerely,



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